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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A method of maintaining a database for managing a process of a plurality of transactions through two or more applications in a business transaction environment, each application having at least one associated log file, and each transaction being defined by one or more steps configured to complete the transaction, the method comprising:

accessing each of the respective associated log files, wherein at least two of the associated log files are of different formats;

for each new log entry recorded in the respective associated log file being accessed:

(i) determining whether the new log entry comprises one of or more required fields using mapping rules that describe a location and format of at least the one or more required fields in the respective associated log file;

(ii) extracting information from the new log entry only if the new log entry comprises the one or more required fields; and

(iii) storing the information as a plurality of transaction records to a database.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a notification message from the respective associated log file indicating that the new log entry has been recorded in the respective associated log file.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the information is extracted from the new log entry using the mapping rules providing the format and the location of the information in the new log entry.

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